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Kentucky Rolls Out New Enhanced KASPER Program

On March 14, 2005, The Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Office of the Inspector General, rolled out the new enhanced KASPER program (eKASPER). In 1999, Kentucky became the first state to require pharmacies to report data on all scheduled II-V drugs dispensed, and to generate reports to prescribers, law enforcement, and other authorized requestors, to enhance patient care and inhibit the flow of legal drugs into the illegal market. Today, over twenty states have such monitoring programs and many more are being planned.

Enhanced KASPER provides web-based, real time access to reports, while still responding to paper requests under the original system. As an example, an emergency room physician will now be able to log onto the web system using a secure password and request information on a patient. Within minutes, that physician will have the patient's KASPER report appear in his inbox. This can be done while the patient is present with the physician, increasing the ability of the physician to provide better care and prevent prescription drug diversion and abuse.

The Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure lauds the implementation and improvement of this new program and encourages all practicing physicians to utilize its services. The Kasper website is <http://chfs.ky.gov/oig/dfwaip.htm>. General KASPER questions should be directed to the Drug Enforcement & Professional Practices Branch at (502) 564-7985. To request an eKASPER web account, log onto <https://ekasper.chfs.ky.gov/accessrequest/accessrequest.aspx>. Questions about the use of the eKASPER website should be directed to ekasperhelp@ky.gov or the Help Desk (502) 573-0361.

On-Line Renewal of Physician Licenses for 2006

Due to numerous requests from physicians wishing to renew their license on-line, the Board is currently working toward adding an on-line physician renewal application to our current website. In order to implement this service there will be a \$5.00 convenience fee to renew a license on-line although the current renewal fee of \$125.00 will remain the same and it will be possible to renew using either a check or credit card. Once this is finalized each physician will receive a notice of how to renew his or her license for 2006.

Final Disciplinary Actions

Jerry W. Brackett, M.D., Fayette County #14390
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 2/18/05.

James E. Carter, M.D., Monroe County # 12497
Agreed Order entered into on 1/13/05.

Don E. Cloys, M.D., Madison County #14868
Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 2/10/05.

David A. Dao, M.D., Hardin County #22439
Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 2/17/05.

W. Rex Duff, M.D., Greenup County #13338
Order of Indefinite Restriction issued 3/10/05, effective 4/11/05.

Kermit D. Gibson, D.O., Pike County #02080
Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 3/17/05.

Mumtaz I. Malik, M.D., Hardin County #22028
Interim Agreed Order entered into 3/28/05.

Quinton C. Meek, M.D., Oldham County #28887
Agreed Order entered into 3/1/05.

Juan C. Mejia, M.D., Campbell County #35414
Amended Agreed Order of Probation entered into 3/9/05.

Arif M. Omar, M.D., Franklin County #32517
Order Dismissing Final Order of Emergency Restriction filed 3/28/05.

John A. Patton, M.D., McCreary County #18176
Agreed Order entered into on 12/17/04.

Nicholas A. Raschella, M. D., Pike County #28950
Interim Agreed Order entered into 3/25/05.

Mark W. Rukavina, M.D., Madison County #22686
Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into on 1/24/05.

James M. Rynerson, M.D., Barren County #28184
Order of Indefinite Restriction filed 2/2/05.

Thomas J. Schroeder, M.D., Jefferson County #18652

An Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction was entered into 3/31/05.

Morteza H. Shafa, M.D., Ballard County #22367
Agreed Order entered into on 1/13/05.

Robert S. Shipp, M. D., Adair County #17370
Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 3/17/05.

Mitchell E. Simons, M.D., Campbell County #21522
Agreed Order entered into 2/17/05.

Bruce C. Smith, M.D., Hickman County, #17274
Seconded Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 3/31/05.

Restrictions have also been placed on the following physician's license pending resolution of charges brought against the physician.

Richard W. Arnold, M.D., Harrison County #28408
Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension were issued by the Board 3/4/05. Effective 3/5/05 physician prevented from practicing medicine in the Commonwealth of Kentucky pending resolution of the Complaint.

William J. Curtin, M.D., Pike County #33543
Complaint and Emergency Order of Restriction was issued by the Board 3/14/05. Physician prevented from prescribing, dispensing or otherwise professionally utilizing controlled substances in Kentucky until further Order of the Board.

John T. Ebert, M.D., Christian County # 31114
Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension issued by the Board on 1/21/05. Effective 1/24/05, physician prevented from practicing medicine in the Commonwealth of Kentucky until further Order of the Board.

Craig H. Leicht, M.D., Clay County # 31802
Final Order Reversing Emergency Order of Suspension issued 3/2/05.

James E. Little, D.O., McCreary County #01195

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension issued by the Board on 1/21/05. Effective 1/24/05, physician prevented from practicing osteopathy in the Commonwealth of Kentucky until further Order of the Board.

Arturo Portales, D.O., Fayette County #02635

Amended Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension issued 3/17/05. Effective 3/18/05 physician prevented from practicing osteopathy in Kentucky pending resolution of the Amended Complaint.

Jeffrey E. Whitlow, M.D., Out of State, #24947

Complaint and Emergency Order of Restriction issued by the Board 3/17/05. Effective 3/30/05, physician prevented from prescribing, dispensing or otherwise professionally utilizing controlled substances in Kentucky until further Order of the Board.

Action was Taken on the Following Physician Assistant:

Terry A. Lawson, PA-C., McCreary County Ctf. #PA378

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension issued by the Board on 1/21/05. Effective 1/24/05, Mr. Lawson suspended from acting as a physician assistant in the Commonwealth of Kentucky until further Order of the Board.

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Important Reminder – CME cycle ends December 31, 2005

Board regulation 201 KAR 9:310 requires all physicians maintaining a current Kentucky medical/osteopathic license to obtain 60 hours of CME for the current three year cycle that ends on December 31, 2005. Thirty of these hours must be in Category 1 accredited by the Accreditation Council on Continuing Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association.

The remaining thirty hours can be in Category 1 or may consist of non-supervised personal training activities designated as Category 2 CME hours. A minimum of 2 hours of the

required CME must be acquired once every 10 years in a HIV/AIDS course approved by the Cabinet for Health Services pursuant to 902 KAR 2:160.

In the previous CME cycle, January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2002, all licensed physicians were required to complete a Kentucky approved HIV/AIDS education course. The course taken during the previous CME cycle is valid for a period of ten years. Newly licensed physicians are required to submit proof of a completed HIV/AIDS education course certificate for initial licensure. It should be noted that the course taken for initial licensure would also be valid for a period of ten years.

Board To Begin Charging Fee for Requesting CME Extension

Physicians who have not satisfied the CME requirements for the current three-year cycle ending December 31, 2005, may request a six-month extension of time. The Board will now charge a \$100 fee should a physician need to request an extension. This fee will be payable at the time the physician renews his/her license for 2006. Should you have any questions pertaining to CME information, you may contact Sandy Brooks, CME Coordinator at 502/429-7150, extension 228.

2005 Annual Renewal of Physician Licenses

Annual renewal of physician licenses for the current year has just been completed. As of April 01, 2005, a total of 8,768 physicians with an in state practice address renewed their license and 3,769 with an out of state practice address registered for a total of 12,537. This total reflects an increase of 278 over last years total for the same time period.

Board has New Telephone Numbers

The Board's telephone numbers were recently changed. Please make a note of the following:

Telephone: 502/429-7150
Fax: 502/429-7158

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Change of Address Notice

Please Note: The information that you provide on this Change of Address Notice will be used to update your profile on the Board's web site at kbml.ky.gov.

(Please Print or Type Information)

Date: _____

KY License Number: _____

Name: _____
(last) (first) (m.i.)

Mailing Address: _____
(street)

(city) (state) (zip)

KY Practice County: _____ **Office Telephone:** _____

Practice Address: _____
(street)

(city) (state) (zip)

E-Mail Address: _____

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